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FM USDEL SECRETARY AIRCRAFT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA FLASH

INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON FLASH

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SUBJECT: IAN SMITH'S BROADCAST TO THE NATION

DEPARTMENT FOR S/S; PASS NSC FOR SCOWCROFT

PRETORIA FOR AMBASSADOR BOWDLER

1. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE WILL WANT TO KNOW IMMEDIATELY THE CONTENT OF MR.IAN SMITH'S ADDRESS TO THE NATION.
 2. WE ARE ASKING OUR COMMUNICATIONS TEAM ABOARD THE SECRETARY'S AIRCRAFT TO TRY TO ARRANGE A MEANS OF PIPING THE SPEECH OVER THE AIRCRAFT'S PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM. THEY ARE NOW TRYING TO FIND OUT WHAT THE BEST MEANS OF DOING THIS IS-- PRIMARILY WHO WILL BE CARRYING THE SPEECH (VOA, BBC, OR ANY OTHER MEANS) AND WHAT FREQUENCIES WILL BE BEST. STATE OPS CENTER MAY BE ABLE TO HELP HERE BY GETTING IN TOUCH WITH VOA/WASHINGTON; LONDON AND PRETORIA COULD USEFULLY HELP BY CALLING BBC. IF YOU CAN PROVIDE USEFUL INFORMATION (FREQUENCIES) GIVE US A ALL THROUGH THE OPS CENTER.
 3. AS A BACK -UP, PRETORIA SHOULD IMMEDIATELY PREPARE TO RECORD,TRANSCRIBE, AND SENDSMITH'S BROADCAST BY FLASH MESSAGE TO THE AIRCRAFT. STATE OPS CENTER SHOULD ENSURE THAT OC/T IS AWARE OF THE NEED TO CLEAR WHATEVER OTHER TRAFFIC THERE IS SO THESE TEXTS ARE NOT HELD UP. MAKE SURE WE DON'T GET TANGLED UP BY CONFUSION OVER WHETHER IT COMES IN OVER A USIS CIRCUIT (OPPOSED TO
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STATE)-- IT WOULD PROBABLY BE BETTER FOR PRETORIA TO

SEND IT IN THE STATE SERIES RATHER THAN USIS. THANKS.

KISSINGER

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